Re. 04-160XM Radio is the only real choice avalable to those of us who live outside the big market areas. In Southern Maryland we have 2 radio stations 102.9 and 97.7 both of which are owned by large corps. and are automated most of the time. We did have a local station but it was taken over by people who put a Spanish program in place so they could cheaply reach the large Spanish population in Northern Virginia. This took the only "truly" local station away from us.

The reason I pay for what use to be free is that I am fed up with the low level of programing on "over the air" stations. This alturnative is the way of those of us who do not like radio to "let our feet vote".

Maybe the NAB will do something.